

Everett Historical Commission

Meeting Summary

February 28, 2023

Commissioners

Arnold Morrison, Chair
Patrick Hall, Vice Chair
Madison Vazquez
Collin Palen
Ashli Bush
Theresa Gemmer
Christine Svihus
Jean Satti-Hewat

Staff

Alex Byrd
Becky McCrary
Yorik Stevens-Wajda

Guest

Robert Barren
Wilma Jones

Attendance

The meeting convened at 6:30 pm with a roll call of Commissioners.

Acceptance of Agenda

Under Item 6 (2023 Work Plan Update), a sub-item was added to summarize the meeting Chair Morrison and Vice Chair Hall had with city staff on February 23, 2023. Vice Chair Hall made a motion to accept the February 28, 2023, agenda, it was seconded by Chair Morrison, and approved unanimously.

Citizen comments (for items not on tonight's agenda)

There were no citizen comments for items not on the agenda.

Approval of January Meeting Summary

Commissioner Vazquez made a motion to approve the January 24, 2023, meeting summary. Chair Morrison seconded and it was approved unanimously.

Comprehensive Plan Update

Becky McCrary, Long-Range Planning Manager, gave a presentation on the Comprehensive Plan Update. The presentation included an update on project status, a recap of Historic Resources Comprehensive Plan goals, policies, objectives, and implementation measures, introduction of policy review guiding principles, and next steps for the Historical Commission.

2023 Work Plan

This item was continued from the January 24, 2023, meeting. First, Chair Morrison summarized the meeting he and Vice Chair Hall had with City Staff on February 23, 2023. The meeting focused on re-imagining the working relationship between the Commission and city staff and how they can best support each other moving forward. The Commission drafted the 2023 Work Plan. Prior to the March 28, 2023, meeting, Commissioner Bush will transfer the Work Plan document from Microsoft Word to an Excel spreadsheet, so it is more usable tool.

Next Meeting (date and subject)

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 28, 2023.

Staff and Commissioner Comments

Vice Chair Hall reminded the Commission about the URM pilot program that will be taking place in Everett on Saturday, April 15th at 9:00am. Commissioner Bush asked if the Commission had any thoughts on meeting in person, instead of virtual meetings. Staff will look into the logistics of meeting in-person and follow up at the next meeting. Staff asked the Commission if they are familiar with the history of the Everett Fire Station at 2801 Oakes and why it is not on the Everett Register. This may be something the Commission and City pursue. Lastly, staff found documents for each of the historic registers that would be a good visual to have on the Historical Commission website. Staff will share with the Commission.

A recording of the full meeting is available upon request.